GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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PUBLIC HEALTHCARE INFRASTRUCTURE UNDER NRHM
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the universalization of public healthcare infrastructure has been neglected under the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM);

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the government to strengthen the primary health care infrastructure?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE(SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) No, sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The Primary Health Care is being provided in rural areas through a network of 145272 Sub Centres, 22370 Primary Health Centres and 4045 Community Health Centres as on March, 2007. Under National Rural Health Mission [NRHM], funds are released to State/UT Governments for upgradation of the existing SCs, PHCs and CHCs and for establishment of new SCs, PHCs and CHCs as per the requirement reflected by respective State/UT Government through their annual Programme Implementation Plan.